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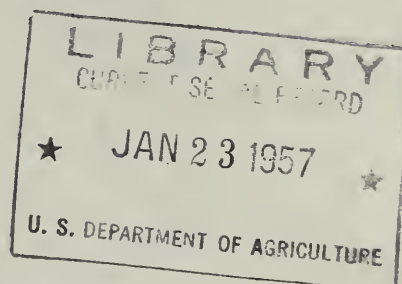
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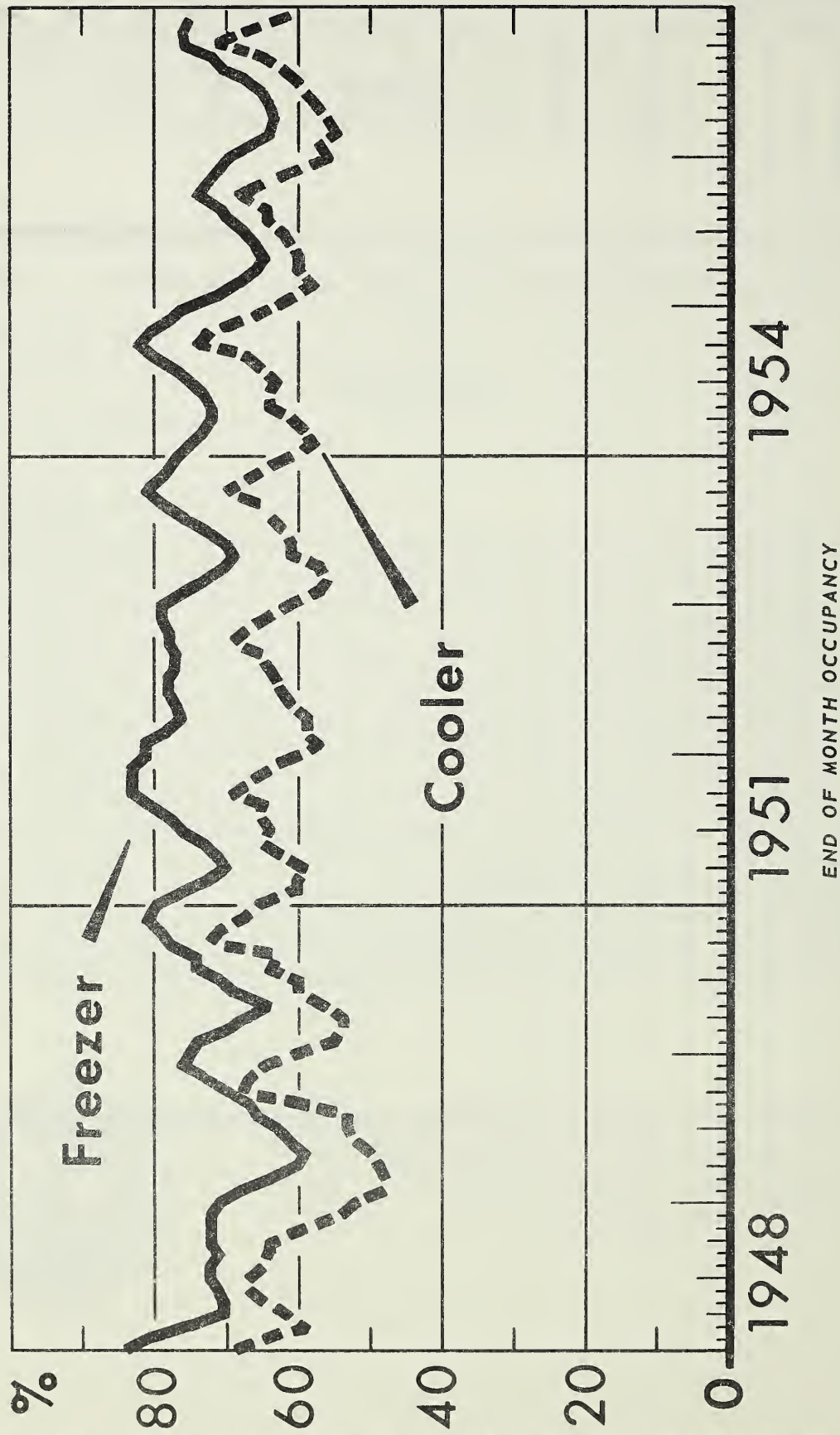
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# PERCENTAGE OCCUPANCY OF PUBLIC COLD-STORAGE WAREHOUSES



## COLD STORAGE REPORT

Analysis of holdings and space December 31, 1956

[Data for this report are collected from public, private, and semiprivate warehouses, apple houses, and meat-packing plants where food products are generally stored for 30 days or more. Commodities in space owned or leased and operated by the armed services are not reported. All December 31 figures are preliminary.]

### Commodity summary

End-of-year stocks in 1956 for fresh pears, frozen fruits, juices and vegetables, shell eggs, frozen eggs, and poultry were larger than the year end stocks in 1955, according to reports received by the Agricultural Marketing Service. Holdings of fresh apples, butter, cheese, cream, and total red meats (pork, beef, veal, lamb and mutton) were lower on December 31, 1956 compared with stocks a year earlier. December 31, 1956 stocks of pears at 2 million bushels were 19 percent larger than holdings of a year earlier; fresh apple stocks, at 26 million bushels, were 3 percent less. Refrigerated stocks of frozen fruits declined seasonally and by December 31 totaled 448 million pounds. This compares with 420 million on December 31, 1955 and 355 million, the 1951-55 average for December 31. Also above average were the 861 million pounds of frozen vegetables and 19 million gallons of frozen orange concentrate. December 31, 1956 stocks of frozen vegetables were 43 percent larger than the 5-year average holdings and 38 percent greater than the holdings of a year earlier. Warehouse stocks of orange juice were half again as large as the average holdings for December 31 and about one-fourth larger than the stocks of December 31, 1955. Stocks of butter declined 13 million pounds during the month to 26 million pounds by December 31 compared with 163 million this time last year. Also showing a decline were stocks of American cheese. They totaled 403 million on December 31 compared with 492 million a year earlier. Poultry stocks, down 28 million pounds since November 30, were at 340 million pounds by December 31. This time last year, 228 million pounds were in storage while the average is 271 million pounds. Frozen turkey holdings at 165 million pounds were 47 million above average for December 31. The average for the date is 118 million pounds and 95 million was the quantity in storage a year earlier. Red meat stocks, at 665 million pounds, compare with 777 million on December 31, 1955 and average holdings of 825 million pounds.

### Storage occupancy

Cooler space occupied on December 31 at 61 percent, down 5 points since November 30, was 1 point above the same month last year. Compared to the 5-year average, December cooler occupancy was down 2 points. Each region decreased from the previous month and in all regions except New England, West North Central, and West South Central the decrease was by more than 1 point. Based on the 5-year average, cooler occupancy is expected to drop another 3 points by January 31, 1957. Freezer occupancy at 75 percent on December 31 was down 2 points from last month and 3 points below the 5-year average. By regions, Mountain had the largest decrease from the previous month at 5 points, while the East North Central and West South Central showed no change. New England was the only region which had an increase in freezer occupancy. Freezer space occupied is anticipated to continue its decline by 1 point by January 31.

### General commodity movement

Warehouse stocks of cooler commodities on December 31, 1956 were down 15 percent from a month earlier to a total of 2.7 billion pounds. Except for increases in stocks of dried and evaporated fruits, nuts, nutmeats, and selected meat items, holdings of all other cooler-stored items were reduced during December, principally fresh fruits. Freezer stocks, down 2 percent since November 30, totaled 2.9 billion pounds by December 31. Decreases occurred primarily in stocks of cream, butter, eggs, poultry, fruits, vegetables, and juices which more than offset stock



gains for beef, veal, pork, lamb and mutton, and other selected meat items.

#### Fruits, vegetables, and juices

Seasonal decreases in holdings of refrigerated stocks of fresh apples, including stocks for processing, totaled 26.4 million bushels on December 31. This was a drop of 8 million bushels from last month's stocks and 2 million bushels more than average. Pear holdings at nearly 2.2 million bushels declined 0.7 million since November 30. The 1956 data include stocks for processing and a direct comparison cannot be made with earlier years since such stocks were not reported prior to 1956. Frozen fruit holdings declined 19 million pounds to 448 million, still at record high levels for the month. This seasonal downturn is 5 million pounds less than last year and the 5-year average decline. Frozen strawberry stocks, at 197 million pounds, down 13 million pounds since November 30 were 82 million pounds above the 5-year average on December 31. Frozen vegetables totaled 861 million pounds on December 31, down 44 million pounds from the previous month. Compared with last year and the 5-year average, the December net change was 5 and 13 million pounds larger, respectively. Orange concentrate holdings were up almost 0.8 million gallons and by December 31 totaled 19.2 million. This time last year 15.2 million gallons were in storage while the average holdings for this date are 12 million gallons.

#### Poultry and dairy products

Warehouse holdings of frozen turkeys which were at a record high on October 31, 1956 with 196 million pounds in storage were down to 165 million by December 31. A year earlier stocks totaled 95 million pounds while the 5-year average for the date is 118 million pounds. Holdings of all classes of poultry declined 28 million pounds during December to 340 million pounds. The seasonal decline was **greater than average** but 9 percent under the net withdrawal of a year earlier at which time poultry holdings totaled 228 million pounds. Shell egg holdings, at 313,000 cases, were the largest for December 31 since 1946. A year earlier stocks totaled 111,000 cases while 137,000 cases are average for this time of year. Frozen egg stocks declined 21 million pounds to 88 million by December 31. This compares with 62 million, the 5-year average and 74 million on December 31, 1955. Not since December 31, 1947 have butter stocks been as low for the month. Only 26 million pounds were in storage on December 31, 1956 which compares with 163 million a year earlier. American cheese holdings declined 12 million pounds during December to 403 million pounds. These stocks compare with the average of 362 million and 492 million reported a year ago December 31.

#### Meat and meat products

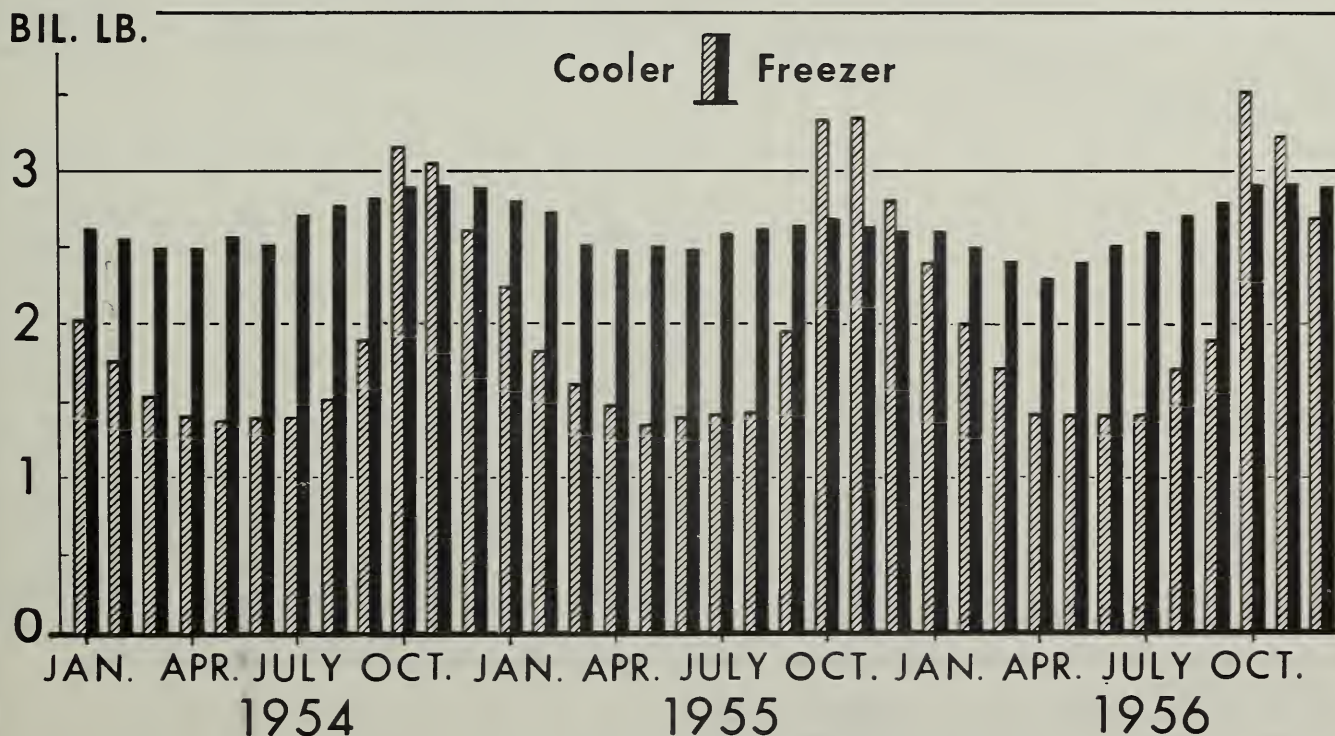
Beef, pork, and other red meat stocks were increased during December but in amounts less than average and also less than the December 1955 increases. A 36 million pounds increase in beef stocks brought total holdings up to 238 million pounds which compare with 205 million in storage December 31, 1955 and average holdings for the date of 224 million. The December gain in beef stocks was 20 percent less than a year earlier and 8 percent under average. The December increase in pork stocks of 23 million pounds was only about one-fifth as large as a year earlier and average. Pork stocks totaled 272 million pounds or one-third less than December 31, 1955 and two-fifths less than average.

Table 1. --Net changes in storage holdings during December (1)

Cooler commodities	Holdings December 31, 1956	December <u>net change</u>		Freezer commodities	Holdings December 31, 1956	December <u>net change</u>	
		Quantity	Pct.			Quantity	Pct.
	<u>1,000 lb.</u>	<u>1,000 lb.</u>	<u>Pct.</u>		<u>1,000 lb.</u>	<u>1,000 lb.</u>	<u>Pct.</u>
Apples.....	1,267,392	- 361,392	22	Cream.....	7,310	- 3,779	34
Pears.....	114,150	- 34,350	23	Butter, creamery	26,473	- 13,167	33
Other fresh fruits	52,757	- 51,644	49	Eggs.....	87,766	- 20,918	19
Fresh vegetables..	77,387	- 7,703	9	Poultry.....	340,156	- 28,222	8
Dried & evap. fts.	31,198	+ 1,082	4	Fruits.....	447,676	- 19,370	4
Nuts & nut meats..	165,875	+ 49,631	43	Juices.....	298,587	- 5,155	2
Cheese.....	442,685	- 12,044	3	Vegetables.....	861,324	- 44,115	5
Other dairy prod..	43,786	- 35,931	45	Beef.....	230,768	+ 36,020	18
Shell eggs.....	14,085	- 9,540	40	Veal.....	20,182	+ 2,096	12
Dried eggs.....	3,524	- 415	11	Pork.....	202,617	+ 37,427	23
Beef.....	7,243	+ 69	1	Lamb and mutton.	12,093	+ 1,077	10
Pork.....	69,086	- 14,361	17	Edible offal....	56,792	+ 4,134	8
Sausage.....	9,351	+ 29	.3	Sausage.....	4,690	+ 368	9
Canned meats.....	52,633	+ 7,404	16	Miscellaneous...	277,381	- 860	.3
Miscellaneous.....	332,607	- 3,290	1				
Total.....	2,683,759	- 472,455	15	Total.....	2,873,815	- 54,464	2

(1) For a detailed breakdown see the tables that follow.

## NET WEIGHT OF COOLER AND FREEZER COMMODITIES



END OF MONTH



Table 2. — End-of-month stocks of fruits, vegetables, and nuts

Net changes in stocks during December and comparisons:

Fresh apples: Decreased by 8 million bushels; December 1955 decrease was 8 million bushels; average December decrease was 6 million bushels.

Fresh pears: Decreased by 665 thousand bushels; December 1955 decrease was 972 thousand bushels; average December decrease was 759 thousand bushels.

Commodity	Unit	December 1951-55 av.	December 1955	November 1956	December 1956
		Thou.	Thou.	Thou.	Thou.
Apples, fresh:					
Western (1) . . . . .	Standard boxes	10,134	12,359	11,587	9,633
Western . . . . .	Other containers	1,414	1,841	2,829	1,855
Eastern . . . . .	Bushel baskets	3,449	2,858	3,881	2,972
Eastern . . . . .	Other containers	7,857	10,263	15,636	11,944
Total . . . . .	Bushel	22,854	27,321	33,933	26,404
Pears, fresh:					
Bartletts . . . . .	Boxes, baskets, etc.	12	6	38	12
Bartletts . . . . .	L. A. lugs	2/	2/	52	54
Other varieties . . . . .	Boxes, baskets, etc.	1,640	1,802	2,544	1,938
Other varieties . . . . .	L. A. lugs	2/	2/	336	279
Total . . . . .	Boxes, baskets, etc.	3/ 1,654	3/ 1,809	2,970	2,283
Other fruits, vegetables, and nuts:					
Fresh grapes . . . . .	Pound	4/	102,709	99,144	49,298
Other fresh fruits . . . . .	do.	93,854	9,892	5,257	3,459
Dried & evaporated fruits . . . . .	do.	36,016	31,376	30,116	31,198
Onions . . . . .	do.	59,671	56,486	35,375	34,049
Celery . . . . .	do.	1,090	778	2,375	791
Other fresh vegetables . . . . .	do.	70,739	35,302	47,340	42,547
Nut meats, peanuts . . . . .	do.	34,987	69,408	57,795	84,875
Nut meats, other nuts . . . . .	do.	18,951	19,112	32,701	33,028
Peanuts, in shell . . . . .	do.	1,277	3,623	959	2,393
Other nuts, in shell . . . . .	do.	38,101	58,673	24,788	45,579

(1) Western apples are those grown in Washington, Oregon, California, Wyoming, Montana, Utah, Colorado, Arizona, and New Mexico.

(2) Not reported separately prior to January 31, 1956.

(3) In terms of bushels. Does not include cannery stocks.

(4) Data not available.



Table 3. -- End-of-month apple holdings, by States

State	December 1951-55 av.	December 1955	December 1956 <u>1/</u>
	<u>1,000 bu.</u>	<u>1,000 bu.</u>	<u>1,000 bu.</u>
Vermont, Massachusetts and Connecticut..	1,398	1,805	1,207
New York.....	4,431	5,651	4,618
New Jersey.....	458	507	343
Pennsylvania.....	766	665	1,405
Ohio.....	243	218	204
Illinois.....	377	214	242
Michigan.....	821	1,429	<u>2/</u> 2,697
Missouri.....	163	130	129
Kansas.....	75	139	81
Virginia.....	1,683	1,011	2,724
West Virginia.....	540	512	569
Washington.....	8,473	11,206	<u>2/</u> 8,333
Oregon.....	590	499	872
California.....	1,958	1,978	1,972
Other States (1).....	878	1,357	1,008
U. S. Total.....	22,854	27,321	26,404

1/ Includes processing stocks. Prior to 1956, processing stocks were excluded.

2/ Based upon more complete returns than in prior years.

Table 4. -- End-of-month pear holdings, by States

State	December 1951-55 av.	December 1955	December 1956 <u>1/</u>
	<u>1,000 bu.</u>	<u>1,000 bu.</u>	<u>1,000 bx.</u>
Vermont, Massachusetts and Connecticut..	-	-	-
New York.....	7	9	5
New Jersey.....	18	7	-
Pennsylvania.....	2	2	-
Ohio.....	12	12	3
Illinois.....	2	1	1
Michigan.....	7	3	2
Missouri.....	2	2	4
Kansas.....	2	2	2
Virginia.....	2	-	1
West Virginia.....	-	-	-
Washington.....	418	509	667
Oregon.....	935	1,112	1,248
California.....	227	138	344
Other States (1).....	20	12	6
U. S. Total.....	1,654	1,809	2,283

1/ Includes processing stocks. Prior to 1956, processing stocks were excluded.

Table 5. — End-of-month stocks of frozen fruits and vegetables

Net changes in stocks during December and comparisons:

Frozen fruits: Decreased by 19 million pounds; December 1955 decrease was 24 million pounds; average December decrease was 24 million pounds.

Frozen vegetables: Decreased by 44 million pounds; December 1955 decrease was 39 million pounds; average December decrease was 31 million pounds.

Frozen orange juice: Increased by 763 thousand gallons; December 1955 increase was 803 thousand gallons; average December increase was 215 thousand gallons.

Commodity	December 1951-55 av. 1,000 pounds	December 1955 1,000 pounds	November 1956 1,000 pounds	December 1956 1,000 pounds
<b>Fruits, frozen:</b>				
Apples . . . . .	27,856	37,080	27,822	40,135
Apricots . . . . .	4,872	7,350	6,229	5,771
Blackberries . . . . .	12,476	11,365	14,894	12,416
Blueberries . . . . .	19,539	21,753	15,973	14,654
Cherries . . . . .	54,575	64,170	50,007	45,477
Grapes . . . . .	12,968	12,311	20,494	19,653
Peaches . . . . .	28,871	35,358	39,305	37,122
Plums and Prunes . . . . .	9,255	9,309	9,967	8,867
Raspberries . . . . .	27,377	32,043	20,003	18,089
Strawberries . . . . .	114,576	141,422	210,302	197,040
Youngberries, Loganberries, etc. . . . .	10,892	14,828	15,765	14,331
All other fruits . . . . .	31,324	33,103	36,285	34,121
Total . . . . .	354,581	420,092	467,046	447,676
<b>Juices, frozen:</b>				
Orange juice (1) . . . . .	122,537	150,481	182,286	189,838
Gallons equivalent (2) . . . . .	12,377	15,200	18,413	19,176
Other fruit juices and purees . . . . .	86,158	99,429	121,456	108,749
<b>Vegetables, frozen:</b>				
Asparagus . . . . .	13,396	14,479	24,776	21,868
Beans, lima . . . . .	92,251	98,265	120,300	109,238
Beans, snap . . . . .	66,882	81,061	96,836	85,984
Eroccoli . . . . .	33,955	31,297	53,897	53,969
Brussels sprouts . . . . .	22,558	22,701	22,707	28,371
Cauliflower . . . . .	16,525	17,719	28,236	29,309
Corn, sweet . . . . .	62,356	65,717	92,243	82,120
Mixed vegetables . . . . .	2/	2/	18,065	20,930
Peas, green . . . . .	134,915	124,647	242,041	218,450
Peas and carrots, mixed . . . . .	2/	2/	15,252	15,503
Potatoes, french fried . . . . .	2/	2/	33,448	40,372
Spinach . . . . .	35,997	32,767	39,412	35,655
All other vegetables . . . . .	123,411	135,396	118,226	119,555
Total . . . . .	602,246	624,049	905,439	861,324

(1) Converted on the basis of 9.9 pounds per gallon.

(2) Data not available.



Table 6. — End-of-month stocks of dairy and poultry products

Net changes in stocks during December and comparisons:

Cream: Decreased by 4 million pounds; December 1955 decrease was 3 million pounds; average December decrease was 5 million pounds.

Butter: Decreased by 13 million pounds; December 1955 decrease was 39 million pounds; average December decrease was 27 million pounds.

Cheese: Decreased by 12 million pounds; December 1955 decrease was 12 million pounds; average December decrease was 12 million pounds.

Shell eggs: Decreased by 212 thousand cases; December 1955 decrease was 222 thousand cases; average December decrease was 147 thousand cases.

Frozen eggs: Decreased by 21 million pounds; December 1955 decrease was 27 million pounds; average December decrease was 23 million pounds.

Frozen poultry: Decreased by 28 million pounds; December 1955 decrease was 31 million pounds; average December decrease was 18 million pounds.

Commodity	Unit	December 1951-55 av. Thou.	December 1955 Thou.	November 1956 Thou.	December 1956 Thou.
Cream, milk, and butter:					
Fluid cream . . . . .	Pound	10,876	6,960	9,014	6,276
Plastic cream (75-85% butterfat) . . . . .	do.	1,728	1,078	2,075	1,034
Condensed milk (bulk) . . . . .	do.	8,463	7,607	7,175	4,792
Evap. and Cond. milk (case goods) . . . . .	do.	47,002	35,046	72,542	38,994
Butter, creamery . . . . .	do.	184,644	163,136	39,640	26,473
Cheese:					
American Cheddar . . . . .	do.	362,427	492,124	414,606	402,633
Swiss, including block . . . . .	do.	9,671	6,691	9,492	9,665
All other varieties . . . . .	do.	20,039	20,070	30,631	30,387
Total cheese . . . . .	do.	392,137	518,885	454,729	442,685
Eggs:					
Shell . . . . .	Case	137	111	525	313
Frozen eggs, total . . . . .	Pound	61,737	74,354	108,684	87,766
Whites . . . . .	do.	15,901	17,443	33,833	27,719
Yolks . . . . .	do.	16,475	23,464	26,402	21,072
Whole or mixed . . . . .	do.	25,518	29,306	43,803	34,323
Unclassified . . . . .	do.	3,843	4,141	4,646	4,652
Dried eggs (egg solids) . . . . .	do.	5,759	3,943	3,939	3,524
Total eggs (1) . . . . .	Case	2,306	2,429	3,734	2,938
Poultry, frozen:					
Broilers or fryers . . . . .	Pound	23,847	25,048	23,761	25,998
Roasters . . . . .	do.	12,146	7,868	9,511	10,018
Hens, fowls . . . . .	do.	69,101	59,912	83,074	83,369
Turkeys . . . . .	do.	118,309	95,018	194,000	165,224
Ducks . . . . .	do.	8,535	8,013	9,357	6,593
Miscellaneous . . . . .	do.	10,987	7,314	13,172	13,468
Unclassified . . . . .	do.	28,049	25,205	35,503	35,486
Total poultry . . . . .	do.	270,974	228,378	368,378	340,156

(1) Case equivalent. Frozen eggs are converted on the basis of 38.5 pounds to the case and dried eggs on the basis of 10.2 pounds to the case.

Table 7. — End-of-month stocks of dairy and poultry products, by States

DECEMBER 31, 1956

State	Cream		Creamery butter	American cheese	Shell eggs	Frozen eggs	Total poultry
	Fluid	Plastic					
	1,000 pounds	1,000 pounds	1,000 pounds	1,000 pounds	1,000 cases	1,000 pounds	1,000 pounds
Massachusetts . . . . .	115	-	1,549	1,543	16	1,620	11,615
Other States . . . . .			562	426	3	809	5,497
New England . . . . .			2,111	1,969	19	2,429	17,112
New York . . . . .	3,101	665	4,410	61,719	40	7,744	31,269
New Jersey . . . . .	343	18	2,319	3,022	27	2,998	16,356
Pennsylvania . . . . .	586	11	1,000	10,324	14	3,752	24,742
Middle Atlantic . . . . .			7,729	75,135	81	14,494	72,374
Ohio . . . . .	260		2,291	11,221	14	4,710	8,521
Indiana . . . . .	-		118	1,808	-	2,258	2,000
Illinois . . . . .	275		1,719	25,043	71	14,563	41,879
Michigan . . . . .	172		491	12,982	2	1,520	7,519
Wisconsin . . . . .	103		524	159,066	1	442	2,570
East North Central . . . . .			5,143	210,120	88	23,493	62,489
Minnesota . . . . .	46		879	10,851	6	3,787	15,908
Iowa . . . . .	16		1,159	1,850	-	6,386	7,125
Missouri . . . . .	34	89	435	38,499	6	12,733	13,526
Dakotas . . . . .	-		250	65	-	119	1,236
Nebraska . . . . .	36		555	569	7	3,683	20,899
Kansas . . . . .	-		513	6,345	1	3,944	5,394
West North Central . . . . .			3,791	58,179	20	30,652	64,088
South Atlantic . . . . .			1,892	14,390	20	4,368	30,744
Kentucky . . . . .			682	7,968	2	1,122	2,600
Tennessee . . . . .			287	10,025	6	1,293	2,546
Ala. and Mississippi . . . . .			130	3,525	2	170	1,339
East South Central . . . . .			1,099	21,518	10	2,585	6,485
Arkansas and Louisiana . . . . .			676	4,734	15	911	4,678
Oklahoma . . . . .	17		267	1,144	8	1,398	1,924
Texas . . . . .	64	17	588	1,649	6	2,010	10,406
West South Central . . . . .			1,531	7,527	29	4,319	17,008
Colorado . . . . .			298	289	3	416	4,932
Other States . . . . .			444	1,559	2	358	8,503
Mountain . . . . .			742	1,848	5	774	13,435
Washington . . . . .			653	167	2	635	4,732
Oregon . . . . .			557	4,911	3	195	4,632
California . . . . .	404	29	1,225	6,869	36	3,822	47,057
Pacific . . . . .			2,435	11,947	41	4,652	56,421
Other States . . . . .	704	829					
United States . . . . .	6,276	1,034	26,473	402,633	313	87,766	340,156



Table 8. --End-of-month stocks of meats and meat products

Net changes in stocks during December and comparisons:

Beef: Increased by 36 million pounds; December 1955 increase was 45 million pounds; average December increase was 39 million pounds.

Pork: Increased by 23 million pounds; December 1955 increase was 114 million pounds; average December increase was 124 million pounds.

Other meats: Increased by 15 million pounds; December 1955 increase was 16 million pounds; average December increase was 21 million pounds.

Commodity	December 1951-55 av.	December 1955	November 1956	December 1956
	<u>1,000 lb.</u>	<u>1,000 lb.</u>	<u>1,000 lb.</u>	<u>1,000 lb.</u>
Beef:				
Frozen . . . . .	213,882	195,042	193,875	230,259
In cure, cured and smoked . . . . .	10,591	10,349	8,047	7,752
Total . . . . .	224,473	205,391	201,922	238,011
Pork:				
Frozen . . . . .	296,517	307,851	150,383	187,675
Dry salt, in cure and cured . . . . .	34,715	27,856	17,940	22,193
Other in cure, cured, and smoked . . . . .	115,574	85,109	80,314	61,835
Total . . . . .	446,806	420,816	248,637	271,703
Other meats and meat products:				
Sausage and sausage room products . . . . .	15,789	14,460	13,644	14,041
Frozen lamb and mutton . . . . .	13,642	10,630	11,016	12,093
Frozen veal . . . . .	20,211	19,000	18,086	20,182
Canned meats and meat products . . . . .	39,287	36,649	45,229	52,633
All edible offal . . . . .	65,287	69,741	52,658	56,792
Total . . . . .	154,216	150,480	140,633	155,741
Total all meats . . . . .	825,495	776,687	591,192	665,455
Hides and pelts . . . . .	71,252	78,249	69,429	74,027

Table 9. --End-of-month stocks of fishery products (1)

Species	December 1955	November 1956	December 1956
Frozen fish:	<u>1,000 lb.</u>	<u>1,000 lb.</u>	<u>1,000 lb.</u>
Bait & animal food (salt & fresh-water).....	6,992	7,245	8,474
Salt-water:			
Filletts and steaks:			
Blocks and slabs.....	13,110	11,819	10,468
Cod.....	6,951	10,884	10,269
Flounder.....	5,715	5,231	5,170
Haddock.....	6,607	11,554	10,318
Halibut.....	2,066	3,084	3,253
Ocean perch.....	16,447	23,934	23,266
Pollock.....	1,951	1,676	2,168
Salmon.....	478	626	628
Whiting (incl. split "butterfly").....	1,911	1,750	1,714
Other filletts and steaks.....	3,908	4,752	4,656
Fish sticks or pieces (cooked & uncooked all species).....	6,087	5,811	5,640
Round, dressed, etc.:			
Halibut.....	12,857	17,277	14,719
Mackerel (except Spanish).....	1,813	1,520	1,790
Sablefish.....	3,548	3,746	3,398
Salmon:			
King or chinook.....	3,114	5,624	5,486
Silver or coho.....	2,679	4,909	4,671
Fall or chum.....	563	1,143	1,187
Unclassified.....	854	1,304	1,306
Smelt.....	887	1,400	1,162
Swordfish.....	1,481	1,731	3,006
Tuna.....	2,823	561	363
Whiting, headed and gutted.....	11,834	9,680	8,765
Other salt-water fish (except bait)...	16,987	15,767	17,250
Fresh-water:			
Filletts and steaks.....	846	2,421	1,543
Round, dressed, etc.:			
Chubs.....	1,252	996	873
Trout.....	1,171	1,186	1,227
Whitefish.....	1,356	1,744	1,566
Other fresh-water fish (except bait)...	3,979	4,188	4,485
Frozen shellfish:			
Crabs (Incl. crab meat).....	1,471	2,075	1,827
Lobster tails (spiny).....	3,632	4,500	4,974
Oysters.....	520	506	600
Scallops.....	2,680	3,093	2,922
Shrimp, raw and headless.....	17,369	16,713	17,337
all other.....	5,296	5,847	6,292
Squid.....	2,116	1,401	1,221
Other shellfish.....	1,946	2,705	1,646
Total frozen fish and shellfish.....	175,297	200,403	195,640
Cured fish.....	18,352	14,034	13,701
Total all fish and shellfish.....	193,649	214,437	209,341

(1) Data furnished by the Department of the Interior, Fish and Wildlife Service.



Table 10. --Commodities stored in public general cold storage warehouses,  
November 30, 1956

Cooler commodities	Net Weight	Freezer commodities	Net Weight
	<u>1,000 pounds</u>		<u>1,000 pounds</u>
Apples.....	230,016	Cream.....	8,412
Pears.....	41,550	Butter, creamery....	34,628
Other fresh fruits.....	19,886	Eggs.....	98,120
Fresh vegetables.....	62,027	Poultry.....	331,931
Dried & evap. fruits....	29,060	Fruits.....	352,483
Nuts & nut meats.....	86,358	Juices.....	165,890
Cheese.....	313,454	Vegetables.....	663,274
Other dairy products....	77,367	Beef.....	140,631
Shell eggs.....	22,860	Veal.....	11,418
Dried eggs.....	3,085	Pork.....	92,418
Beef.....	764	Lamb and mutton....	6,628
Pork.....	733	Edible offal.....	18,543
Sausage.....	766	Sausage.....	3,011
Canned meats.....	28,707	Fish.....	162,749
Lard.....	14,438	Miscellaneous.....	66,595
Fish.....	13,904		
Miscellaneous.....	117,777		
Total.....	1,062,752	Total.....	2,156,731

Table 11. --End-of-month stocks of certain commodities in storage owned by the  
Government (1)

Commodity	Unit	December 1951-55 av.	December 1955	November 1956	December 1956 2/
		<u>Thou.</u>	<u>Thou.</u>	<u>Thou.</u>	<u>Thou.</u>
Butter, creamery.....	lb.	148,382	134,638	3,958	2,177
American Cheddar cheese.....	do.	176,159	278,924	201,867	165,904
Pork.....	do.	13,925	6,152	5,558	2,756
Beef.....	do.	17,436	8,270	13,766	29,154

(1) Government holdings are included in the tables of total holdings elsewhere in the report and consist of reported stocks held by USDA, the Armed Services, and other Government agencies. In addition to stocks reported above, the Armed Services hold some stocks in space owned and operated by them on which figures are not available.

(2) Based on actual reports. Estimates on late reports are not included. Current figures will be revised next month.

(3) Data not available.

TABLE 12.-- Cold storage holdings, by geographic regions.

Commodity	Unit	New England	Middle Atlantic	East North Central	West North Central	South Atlantic	East South Central	West South Central	Mountain	Pacific	Total
		Thou.	Thou.	Thou.	Thou.	Thou.	Thou.	Thou.	Thou.	Thou.	Thou.
Fruits, frozen:											
Apples . . . . .	Pound	1,090	15,651	10,035	2,009	8,041	411	645	177	2,076	40,135
Apricots . . . . .	do.	59	504	717	262	207	34	150	61	3,777	5,771
Blackberries . . . . .	do.	9	767	1,022	1,547	475	1,076	802	69	6,649	12,416
Blueberries . . . . .	do.	3,298	4,375	4,178	885	744	115	99	48	912	14,694
Cherries . . . . .	do.	273	16,264	14,074	3,897	3,035	403	674	2,103	4,754	45,477
Grapes . . . . .	do.	4	9,216	9,765	160	77	106	29	12	284	19,653
Peaches . . . . .	do.	434	6,087	5,509	3,070	6,071	811	1,212	251	13,677	37,122
Plums and prunes . . . . .	do.	22	1,728	3,156	165	128	122	266	250	3,030	8,867
Raspberries . . . . .	do.	695	4,877	3,959	1,049	599	235	160	220	6,295	18,089
Strawberries . . . . .	do.	4,589	26,359	19,976	18,445	7,726	15,584	4,581	1,993	97,787	197,040
Youngberries, Loganberries, etc.	do.	234	1,171	1,596	515	228	79	293	181	10,034	14,331
All other fruits . . . . .	do.	3,525	6,087	7,096	2,623	1,382	491	681	879	11,357	34,121
Total. . . . .	do.	14,232	93,086	81,083	34,627	28,713	19,467	9,592	6,244	160,632	447,676
Juices, frozen:											
Orange juice (1) . . . . .	do.	2,760	11,278	9,344	5,232	122,034	631	2,534	1,335	34,690	189,838
Other fruit juices and purees	do.	3,492	30,420	16,158	8,447	26,329	1,322	5,621	1,215	15,745	108,749
Vegetables, frozen:											
Asparagus . . . . .	do.	561	5,427	1,744	2,039	3,429	341	498	323	7,506	21,868
Beans, lima. . . . .	do.	852	23,652	7,054	8,893	16,839	2,979	1,182	5,552	42,235	109,238
Beans, snap. . . . .	do.	1,545	35,156	4,287	2,802	8,530	1,896	1,036	499	30,233	85,984
Broccoli . . . . .	do.	713	13,001	2,631	3,570	6,423	991	890	475	25,275	53,969
Brussels sprouts . . . . .	do.	317	4,269	1,520	3,138	1,009	982	1,057	664	15,415	28,371
Cauliflower. . . . .	do.	326	7,353	1,891	1,347	2,240	634	680	162	14,676	29,309
Corn, sweet. . . . .	do.	731	15,917	6,126	18,753	4,625	1,183	1,139	2,383	31,263	82,120
Mixed vegetables . . . . .	do.	109	4,082	1,582	3,464	1,160	259	353	396	9,525	20,930
Peas, green. . . . .	do.	12,257	32,566	12,453	29,829	8,517	2,112	1,822	8,719	110,175	218,450
Peas and carrots, mixed. . . . .	do.	64	3,344	1,260	1,916	520	230	213	234	7,722	15,503
Potatoes, french fried . . . . .	do.	8,721	5,190	3,094	8,364	2,242	666	389	5,050	6,656	40,372
Spinach . . . . .	do.	649	10,339	2,479	4,082	3,353	1,093	1,155	450	12,055	35,655
All other vegetables . . . . .	do.	1,764	20,124	15,348	13,836	14,956	8,148	4,038	706	40,635	119,555
Total. . . . .	do.	28,609	180,420	61,469	102,033	73,843	21,514	14,452	25,613	353,371	861,324
Fruits, vegetables and nuts:											
Fresh grapes . . . . .	do.	7	77	1,772	116	26	31	276	16	47,276	49,298
Other fresh fruits . . . . .	do.	603	1,894	51	22	93	505	339	9	7,665	31,198
Dried and evaporated fruits. . . . .	do.		15,352	3,958	960	959	339	1,353		6,963	34,049
Onions . . . . .	do.		23,950	2,676	31	43		386			
Celery . . . . .	do.		176	52	493	4		25		41	791
Other fresh vegetables . . . . .	do.	131	17,893	8,744	3,288	351	870	2,351	1,184	7,735	42,547
Peanut meats . . . . .	do.	426	530	3,012	309	64,734	4,550	10,940		374	84,875
Other nut meats. . . . .	do.	742	6,313	4,353	1,007	1,184	265	1,596	5	17,563	33,028
Peanuts, in shell. . . . .	do.		178	297	28	1,685	68	69	6	62	2,393
Other nuts, in shell . . . . .	do.	317	1,320	2,265	10,501	10,320	744	9,559	12	10,541	45,579
Fresh apples . . . . .	Bushel	1,636	6,367	3,246	237	3,500	80	50	110	11,178	26,404
Fresh pears. . . . .	Boxes (2)		6	8	6	2	2	2		2,259	2,283

(1) Concentrated and single strength.

(2) Standard boxes, bushel baskets, lugs, etc.

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TABLE 12.-- Cold storage holdings, by geographic regions

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Commodity	Unit	New England	Middle Atlantic	East North Central	West North Central	South Atlantic	East South Central	West South Central	Mountain	Pacific	Total
		Thou.	Thou.	Thou.	Thou.	Thou.	Thou.	Thou.	Thou.	Thou.	Thou.
Dairy products and eggs:											
Cream (not including plastic) . . .	Pound	244	4,030	810	132	195	188	87	40	550	6,276
Cream, plastic . . . . .	do.	85	694	39	89	79	2	17		29	1,034
Butter, creamery . . . . .	do.	2,111	7,729	5,143	3,791	1,892	1,099	1,531	742	2,435	26,473
Cheese, American Cheddar . . . .	do.	1,969	75,135	210,120	58,179	14,390	21,518	7,527	1,848	11,947	402,633
Cheese, Swiss including block . . .	do.	18	374	4,957	3,348	2		95	758	113	9,665
Cheese, all other varieties . . . .	do.	517	11,444	11,864	3,523	861	408	523	492	755	30,387
Eggs, shell . . . . .	Case	19	81	88	20	20	10	29	5	41	313
Eggs, frozen . . . . .	Pound	2,429	14,494	23,493	30,652	4,368	2,585	4,319	774	4,652	87,766
Eggs, dried (egg solids) . . . . .	do.	25	312	300	2,665	151		20		51	3,524
Poultry, frozen:											
Broilers or fryers . . . . .	do.	950	5,380	2,964	3,213	5,480	725	3,166	450	3,670	25,998
Roasters . . . . .	do.	1,944	5,065	828	721	372	5	189	54	840	10,018
Hens, fowls . . . . .	do.	4,648	22,946	12,213	27,823	1,980	565	1,697	1,563	9,934	83,369
Turkeys . . . . .	do.	7,832	28,667	25,920	26,067	15,009	3,580	10,395	10,128	37,626	165,224
Ducks . . . . .	do.	349	3,393	1,409	240	474	114	161	71	382	6,593
Miscellaneous . . . . .	do.	670	4,393	4,400	2,615	200	151	335	174	530	13,468
Unclassified . . . . .	do.	719	2,530	14,755	3,409	7,229	1,345	1,065	995	3,439	35,486
Total . . . . .	do.	17,112	72,374	62,489	64,088	30,744	6,485	17,008	13,435	56,421	340,156
Meats, meat products and fish:											
Beef, frozen . . . . .	do.	14,585	24,985	69,842	51,131	7,748	6,422	22,848	5,009	27,689	230,259
Veal, frozen . . . . .	do.	1,092	4,003	5,456	3,937	1,252	654	2,760	200	828	20,182
Pork, frozen . . . . .	do.	4,112	12,345	65,520	74,778	8,260	4,331	8,007	2,327	7,995	187,675
Lamb and mutton, frozen . . . . .	do.	319	1,339	2,282	1,840	375	50	3,741	617	1,530	12,093
Beef, in cure, cured and smoked . .	do.	53	1,735	2,986	1,982	470	20	203	10	293	7,752
Dry salt pork, in cure & cured . .	do.	28	591	7,287	11,230	1,726	298	652	321	60	22,193
All other pork, in cure, cured and smoked . . . . .	do.	64	5,569	10,068	34,878	3,725	781	2,288	832	3,630	61,835
All edible offal . . . . .	do.	871	5,176	18,041	22,993	1,985	1,477	2,119	1,409	2,721	56,792
Sausage room products . . . . .	do.	257	2,335	3,874	4,000	1,382	423	459	209	1,102	14,041
Canned meats and meat products . .	do.	9,596	9,333	10,362	17,019	1,297	297	848	206	3,675	52,633
Total . . . . .	do.	30,977	67,411	195,718	223,788	28,220	14,753	43,925	11,140	49,523	665,455
Hides and pelts . . . . .	do.	5,232	4,138	17,527	35,098	2,261	371	4,287	1,450	3,663	74,027
Fish, frozen . . . . .	do.	56,390	41,014	23,800	10,407	9,028	11,434	2,859	1,524	39,184	195,640

(1) Includes fish in Alaska.

Table 13. --United States refrigerated usable piling space, October 1, 1955 1/

State or geographic region	Type of Warehouse							
	Public general		Private & semiprivate general		Meat-packing plants		Apple houses	
	0° F. or below	Above 0° F. to 50° F.	0° F. or below	Above 0° F. to 50° F.	0° F. or below	Above 0° F. to 50° F.	0° F. or below	Above 0° F. to 50° F.
	1,000 cu. ft.	1,000 cu. ft.	1,000 cu. ft.	1,000 cu. ft.	1,000 cu. ft.	1,000 cu. ft.	1,000 cu. ft.	1,000 cu. ft.
Maine, N. H. and Vt.....	1,759	485	201	73	2/	2/	5	1,050
Massachusetts.....	9,207	2,533	898	357	302	280	24	3,935
Rhode Island & Conn.....	1,126	486	24	69	2/	2/	22	2,488
NEW ENGLAND.....	12,092	3,504	1,123	499	359	341	51	7,473
New York.....	20,398	22,728	1,882	3,859	666	3,118	104	15,320
New Jersey.....	8,614	6,356	2,451	458	2/	2/	12	2,074
Pennsylvania.....	8,649	6,218	1,185	1,541	2/	2/	283	4,882
MIDDLE ATLANTIC.....	37,661	35,302	5,518	5,858	1,113	4,059	399	22,276
Ohio.....	7,642	4,740	365	400	103	1,891	4	940
Indiana.....	2,157	625	318	151	305	418	2/	2/
Illinois.....	15,732	14,398	4,961	2,229	1,147	3,719	10	1,580
Michigan.....	6,069	5,175	1,139	1,325	(830	(2,105	179	8,434
Wisconsin.....	2,669	6,937	500	4,618			2/	2/
EAST NORTH CENTRAL.....	34,269	31,875	7,283	8,723	2,385	8,133	193	11,158
Minnesota.....	5,628	1,349	2,937	169	1,318	608	-	-
Iowa.....	4,090	908	816	436	1,895	2,208	-	-
Missouri & North Dakota.....	8,612	5,785	297	361	986	2,369	2/	2/
South Dakota & Nebraska.....	3,943	938	1,406	273	1,153	4,980	-	-
Kansas.....	5,586	9,302	731	142	654	1,852	2/	2/
WEST NORTH CENTRAL.....	27,859	18,282	6,187	1,381	6,006	12,017	5	607
Delaware, Maryland & D. C....	5,956	1,077	418	230	2/	2/	-	880
Virginia and W. Virginia....	3,124	8,132	1,064	855	26	184	(233	(14,020
North and South Carolina....	1,289	754	354	308	2/	2/	-	-
Georgia.....	2,387	4,977	118	135	292	627	-	-
Florida.....	11,502	1,238	13,555	490	-	-	-	-
SOUTH ATLANTIC.....	24,248	16,178	15,509	2,018	372	1,110	233	14,900
Kentucky.....	1,169	1,250	2/	2/	2/	2/	-	-
Tennessee.....	4,291	2,034	535	35	217	495	2/	2/
Alabama and Mississippi.....	1,233	1,157	2/	2/	2/	2/	-	-
EAST SOUTH CENTRAL.....	6,693	4,441	650	207	265	571	2/	2/
Arkansas.....	653	277	(330	(75	2/	2/	2/	2/
Louisiana.....	2,529	928			2/	2/	-	-
Oklahoma.....	1,220	540	115	96	809	1,772	-	-
Texas.....	7,949	6,381	345	925	1,051	138	-	-
WEST SOUTH CENTRAL.....	12,351	8,126	790	1,096	1,883	1,914	2/	2/
MOUNTAIN.....	5,083	1,580	1,143	304	416	1,279	2/	2/
Washington.....	10,119	2,289	4,385	797	272	764	671	56,189
Oregon.....	7,578	1,848	3,612	868	(277	(1,755	-	6,903
California.....	24,882	11,451	7,525	13,888			532	6,803
PACIFIC.....	42,579	15,588	15,522	15,553	549	2,519	1,203	69,895
UNITED STATES.....	202,835	134,876	53,725	35,639	13,348	31,943	2,084	127,065

1/ Total storage capacity in the United States and the lowest temperature at which it could be held as reported by the latest biennial survey, October 1, 1955.

2/ Not shown to avoid disclosure of individual plant reports.



TABLE 14-- End-of-month space and occupancy in public general refrigerated warehouses

State or geographic region	Net piling space reported (1) December 1956		Percentage of net piling space occupied							
			December 1951-55 av.		December 1955		November 1956		December 1956 (2)	
	Cooler	Freezer	Cooler	Freezer	Cooler	Freezer	Cooler	Freezer	Cooler	Freezer
	1,000 cu. ft.	1,000 cu. ft.	Pct.	Pct.	Pct.	Pct.	Pct.	Pct.	Pct.	Pct.
Maine, N. H. and Vt. . . . .	434	1,365	47	63	44	50	26	72	30	79
Massachusetts . . . . .	2,578	6,470	42	88	46	90	77	78	75	79
R. I. and Connecticut . . . . .	318	1,430	71	73	91	62	56	54	54	53
New England . . . . .	3,330	9,265	45	82	50	80	68	74	67	75
New York . . . . .	22,586	19,215	69	77	66	74	71	75	61	73
New Jersey . . . . .	3,885	9,376	64	82	63	74	52	77	43	75
Pennsylvania . . . . .	4,222	8,934	64	84	63	80	68	85	58	81
Middle Atlantic . . . . .	30,693	37,525	67	80	65	75	68	78	59	76
Ohio . . . . .	2,854	5,396	58	88	54	86	66	83	62	80
Indiana . . . . .	689	1,866	66	82	61	72	82	77	68	71
Illinois . . . . .	13,038	13,870	62	86	59	83	59	73	54	75
Michigan . . . . .	3,866	4,362	68	84	62	71	83	83	72	80
Wisconsin . . . . .	5,334	1,874	73	79	75	74	77	80	73	77
East North Central . . . . .	25,781	27,368	64	85	62	80	68	77	62	77
Minnesota . . . . .	1,478	4,970	67	83	69	75	82	81	79	77
Iowa . . . . .	460	2,344	64	84	46	77	44	51	39	54
Missouri . . . . .	4,540	8,554	67	77	66	75	63	67	66	63
Dakotas and Nebraska . . . . .	832	3,972	53	86	44	76	61	90	54	92
Kansas . . . . .	9,243	5,198	66	77	75	71	57	79	55	78
West North Central . . . . .	16,553	25,038	67	81	69	75	61	74	60	73
Delaware, Maryland & D.C. Virginia and West Va. . . . .	1,253 4,758	5,385 2,220	55 59	81 75	47 43	62 67	51 79	79 80	48 73	75 81
North and South Carolina . . . . .	423	451	59	85	39	68	76	70	53	69
Georgia . . . . .	3,529	2,146	80	87	83	88	80	93	81	95
Florida . . . . .	1,021	10,160	59	47	52	40	60	42	53	42
South Atlantic . . . . .	10,984	20,362	65	69	56	59	74	62	70	61
Kentucky . . . . .	951	1,171	66	36	63	65	74	79	70	78
Tennessee . . . . .	1,662	3,788	76	84	75	84	87	86	85	83
Alabama and Mississippi . . . . .	742	840	80	86	77	68	75	78	70	72
East South Central . . . . .	3,355	5,799	76	84	72	77	81	84	77	81
Arkansas . . . . .	210	607	47	65	42	70	50	65	47	65
Louisiana . . . . .	932	944	72	84	55	74	71	82	67	90
Oklahoma . . . . .	489	1,219	61	77	67	70	53	80	55	74
Texas . . . . .	5,442	5,931	62	55	65	51	58	63	57	63
West South Central . . . . .	7,073	8,701	63	61	63	57	59	68	58	68
Mountain . . . . .	1,275	4,970	58	81	60	79	74	92	68	87
Washington . . . . .	1,643	7,684	49	63	39	51	41	77	38	70
Oregon . . . . .	710	6,629	50	66	54	60	19	84	17	76
California . . . . .	11,202	19,207	57	83	46	78	64	87	57	87
Pacific . . . . .	13,555	33,520	55	75	45	69	59	84	53	81
United States (4) . . . . .	112,599	172,548	63	78	60	72	66	77	61	75

(1) Space reported to USDA and temperatures at which it was held December 31, 1956.

(2) Preliminary

(3) Insufficient returns received from this State.

(4) Weighted average of the occupancy for geographic regions based on the corresponding net piling space.

**TABLE 15.-- End-of-month space and occupancy in public general warehouses in selected cities**

City (1)	Net piling space reported (2)		Percentage of net piling space occupied							
			November 1955		December 1955		November 1956		December 1956	
	Cooler	Freezer	Cooler	Freezer	Cooler	Freezer	Cooler	Freezer	Cooler	Freezer
	1,000 cu. ft.	1,000 cu. ft.	Pct.	Pct.	Pct.	Pct.	Pct.	Pct.	Pct.	Pct.
New England:										
Boston . . . . .	1,695	4,718	42	97	42	96	81	81	80	82
Middle Atlantic:										
New York . . . . .	6,112	8,308	70	75	74	73	75	75	69	77
Jersey City. . . . .	3,578	5,783	66	74	63	67	52	73	41	73
Buffalo. . . . .	565	2,164	93	76	99	79	99	68	97	63
Rochester. . . . .	6,583	2,531	66	67	54	64	68	71	55	67
Philadelphia . . . . .	1,503	5,880	66	73	62	77	69	85	61	79
Pittsburgh . . . . .	1,488	2,113	60	82	58	83	50	84	43	83
E. N. Central:										
Cleveland. . . . .	2,074	2,594	56	81	48	84	61	81	58	80
Cincinnati . . . . .	(3)	(3)	72	95	63	90	(3)	(3)	(3)	(3)
Chicago. . . . .	10,115	13,066	62	79	59	83	57	72	52	75
Detroit. . . . .	3,293	3,953	70	78	64	71	89	84	81	81
Milwaukee. . . . .	659	1,390	90	83	86	93	83	91	80	91
W. N. Central:										
Minneapolis. . . . .	918	2,517	68	78	70	74	91	89	88	80
St. Louis. . . . .	1,981	3,350	71	71	62	84	61	68	74	58
Kansas City . . . . .	1,717	5,282	67	77	63	80	57	86	55	86
South Atlantic:										
Baltimore & D. C. . . . .	1,178	5,098	48	60	47	62	50	78	48	75
Richmond . . . . .	850	631	49	60	55	62	50	75	45	65
Norfolk . . . . .	(3)	(3)	70	73	80	75	(3)	(3)	(3)	(3)
E. S. Central:										
Nashville. . . . .	(3)	(3)	91	87	73	87	(3)	(3)	(3)	(3)
Memphis. . . . .	118	1,564	68	84	66	84	82	81	62	77
W. S. Central:										
New Orleans. . . . .	787	704	55	65	50	70	67	79	64	90
Dallas . . . . .	3,452	3,578	59	44	60	46	61	62	61	61
Ft. Worth. . . . .	827	1,333	68	45	71	49	40	59	35	60
Pacific:										
Seattle. . . . .	685	1,555	53	71	49	63	76	85	71	83
Tacoma . . . . .	353	1,984	7	50	8	52	6	66	5	54
Portland . . . . .	338	3,483	44	75	41	61	34	81	30	73
Los Angeles. . . . .	2,871	5,957	73	85	66	81	89	92	85	92
San Francisco. . . . .	1,687	2,141	41	79	42	77	58	76	50	72
San Jose . . . . .	2,110	3,488	51	78	33	78	48	89	36	89
Modesto . . . . .	784	2,522	66	83	49	92	64	95	64	96

- (1) Space shown includes public warehouses within a 25-mile radius of city named.
- (2) Space reported to USDA and temperatures at which it was held December 31, 1956.
- (3) Insufficient returns received from this city.



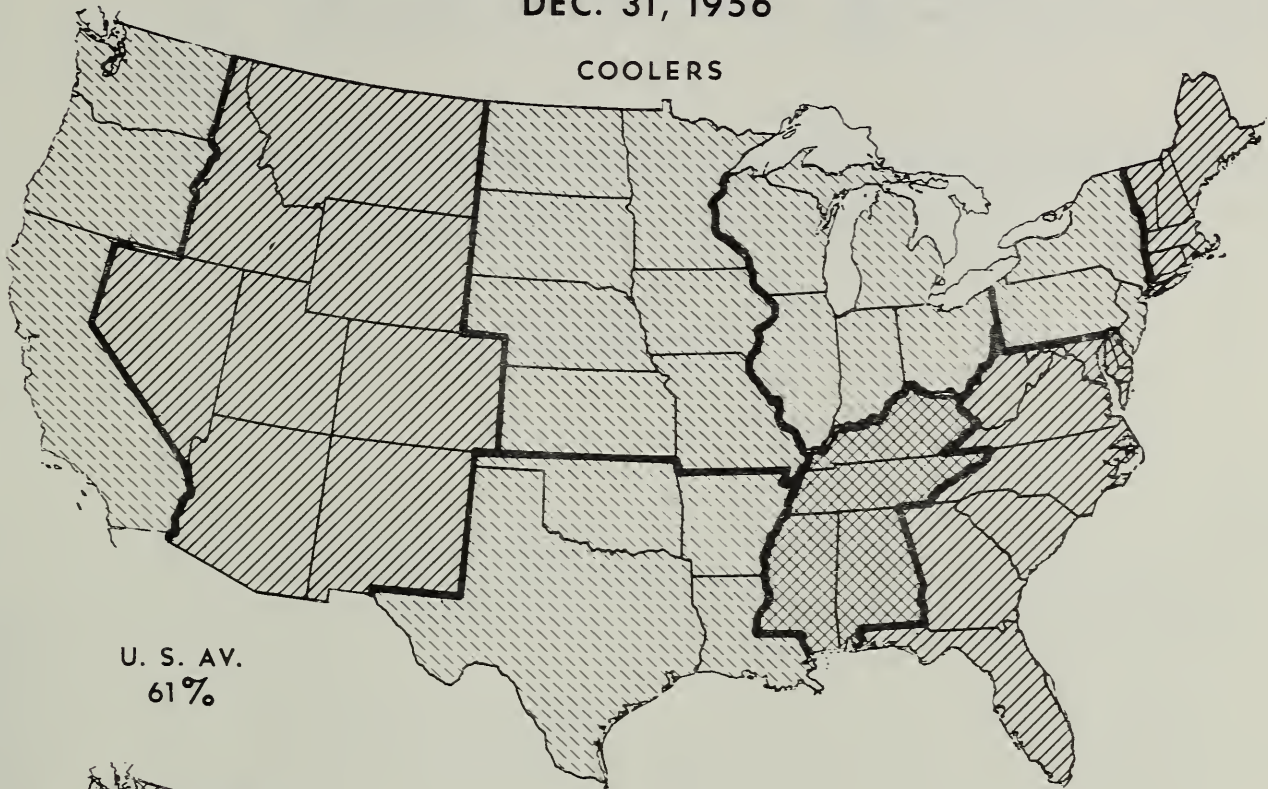
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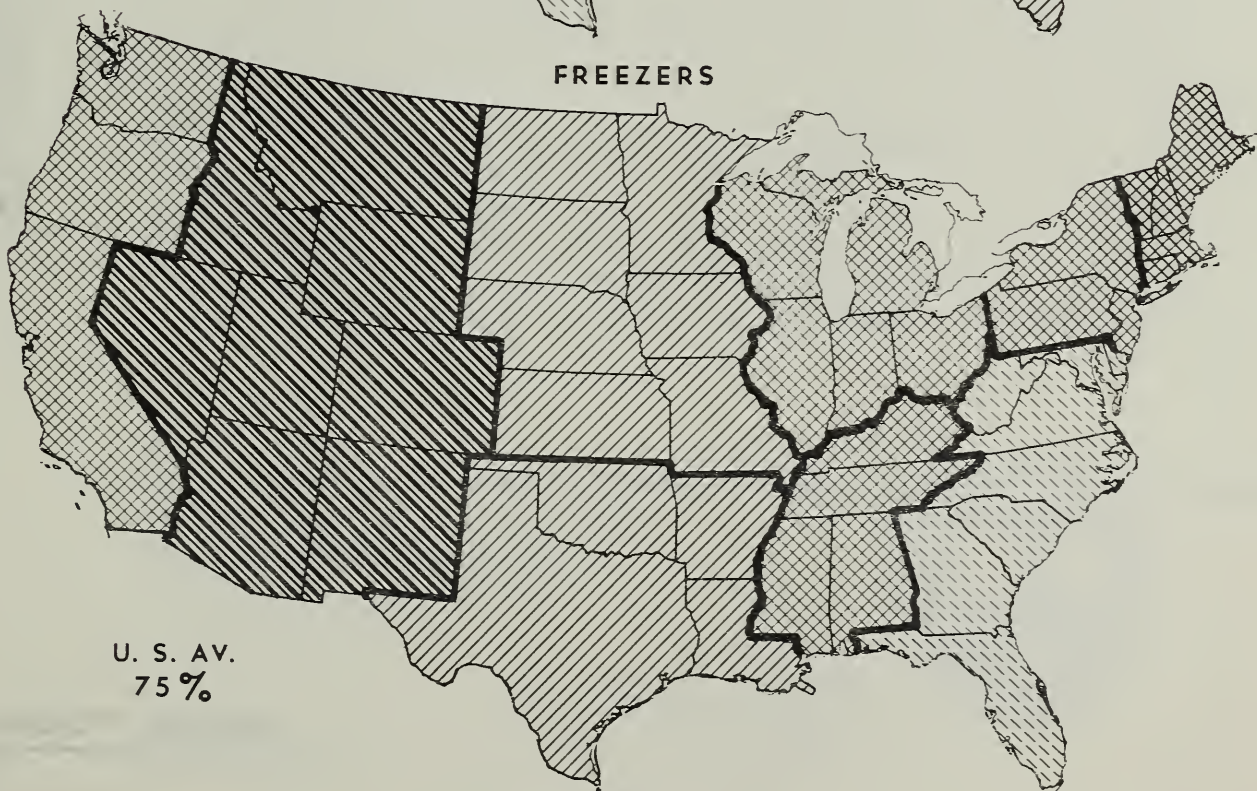
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FREEZERS



% OCCUPANCY

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